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Casualty department in the Government General Hospital. Madras.

* 137 *Q.*—SRI M. DHARMALINGAM : Will the Hon. the Minister for Health be pleased to state—

(*a*) for how long the casualty department in the Government General Hospital, Madras, has been in existence;

(*b*) what are its important functions ; and

(*c*) whether doctors are allowed to receive any special fees from the patients who are examined in that department?

THE HON. SRI A. B. SHETTY :—" (*a*) Ever since the inception of the hospital.

" (*b*) Its main functions are to attend to accident and other emergent cases and to admit in the hospital for treatment cases which require immediate hospitalisation.

" (*c*) No, Sir."

SRI M. DHARMALINGAM :—" Sir, arising out of the answer given by the Hon. the Minister for Public Health that the Casualty department is intended only for accident and other emergent cases, may I know what arrangements have been made by the Government to give treatment to the patients who come from long distances, say about 60 to 70 miles, and are not able to obtain treatment within the prescribed time? "

THE HON. SRI A. B. SHETTY :—" Sir, the main question relates only to the Casualty Department."

* 138 *Q.*—SRI K. R. VISWANATHAN :—" Sir, I request that this question may be taken up tomorrow."

MR. SPEAKER :—" Yes, it will be taken up tomorrow."

Transfer of Criminal Tribes Settlements to the Police Department.

* 139 *Q.*—SRI M. KATTIMUTHU : Will the Hon. the Minister for Law be pleased to state when and why the Criminal Tribes Settlements were transferred to the Police Department from the Labour Department for purposes of reclamation and social advancement?

THE HON. SRI K. P. KUTTIKRISHNAN NAIR :—" The administration of Criminal Tribes Settlements was transferred from the Commissioner of Labour to the Inspector-General of Police with effect from 3rd January 1944, on administrative grounds."

SRI M. KATTIMUTHU :—" செட்டில்மெண்ட் வாசிகள் அவர்கள் குற்றத் தொழில் செய்யும் பரம்பரையைச் சேர்ந்தவர்கள் என்ற காரணத்தால் அரசாங்கம் அவர்களைக் கைது செய்து கொண்டுவந்து அவர்களுக்கு பல தொழில்களைக் கற்றுக் கொடுத்து அவர்களை பல துறைகளிலும் முன்னேற்றம் அடையச் செய்து இப்பொழுது அவர்களும் பல தொழில்களில் முன்னேற்றம் அடைந்திருக்கிறார்கள். உத்தியோகம், விவசாயம், கைத் தொழில், சாகித்தியம் முதலிய பலவித தொழில்களிலும் அவர்கள்

முன்னேற்றம் அடைந்திருக்கிறார்கள். இவ்வளவு முன்னேற்றம் அடைந்தவர்களை இப்பொழுது அரசாங்கம் ப்ரீ செட்டில்மெண்டாக விட்டிருக்கிறார்கள். 7, 8 வருஷங்களாக அவர்களை ப்ரீ செட்டில்மெண்டாக விட்டு இப்பொழுது போலீஸ் கையில் கொடுத்திருப்பது கிளியை வளர்த்து பூனை கையில் கொடுத்தது மாதிரி ஆகிறது என்பதை சர்க்கார் யோசிப்பார்களா? ஆகவே அவர்களை ஹரிஜன வெல்பேர் டிபார்ட்மெண்டில் சேர்த்து அவர்களை வான்பறவைபோல் உரிமை பாதிக்கப்படாமல் முன்னுக்கு கொண்டு வருவதற்கு சர்க்கார் நடவடிக்கை எடுக்குமா?"

THE HON. SRI K. P. KUTTIKRISHNAN NAIR :—" Sir, the question is under the consideration of Government."

SRI M. NARAYANA KURUP :—" Sir, may I know why this Government are finding it necessary to transfer more and more subjects to the Police department?"

THE HON. SRI K. P. KUTTIKRISHNAN NAIR :—" Sir, the Government are not doing any such thing."

Strength of Christian employees in the Co-operative Department.

* 140 *Q.*—SRI K. ARANGANATHAN : Will the Hon. the Minister for Industries and Labour be pleased to state—

(*a*) the total number of permanent incumbents in all the posts in the Co-operative Department from the rank of Junior Inspector of Co-operative ocieties upwards in the residuary Madras State; and

(*b*) the total number of Christians and non-Christians among them?

THE HON. DR. U. KRISHNA RAO :—" (*a*) & (*b*) There are 305 Junior Inspectors of whom 22 are Christians; 159 Senior Inspectors of whom 23 are Christians; 47 Co-operative Sub-Registrars of whom 9 are Christians and 22 Deputy Registrars of whom 3 are Christians. There is a Joint Registrar who is not a Christian and the Registrar is a Christian.

I may also add that recruitment is made by the Madras Public Service Commission and seniority is assigned with reference to the general rules based on the approved list sent by the Public Service Commission. Confirmation is made against vacancies in permanent posts strictly on the seniority assigned in the Establishment List and subject to eligibility under the Service Rules."

SRI K. VINAYAKAM :—" Sir, is it a fact that all the Christian officials that have been mentioned by the Hon. Minister on the floor of the House were recruited by the Registrar of Co-operative Societies before the recruitment was transferred to the Public Service Commission and, therefore, the Registrar had his own preference, for the members of the community to which he belongs?"

THE HON. DR. U. KRISHNA RAO :—" Sir, I have no information when the Public Service Commission took over the recruitment to this department. If the hon. Member puts a separate question, I shall answer it."